

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please substitute the enclosed drawing sheets (nine total). These replacement sheets are clearer drawings. Further, replacement sheet 2/9 has been amended to show identifier "102" illustrated separately in each figure. An additional copy of sheet 2/9 is provided for the Examiner to easily see where the correction is circled in red ink.

REMARKS

The Examiner has objected to the drawings because they include reference characters not mentioned in the description. This objection basis has been avoided by correction of the specification as noted above. Further, the Examiner has indicated that identifier "102" was shared in two illustrations. An amended sheet 2/9 has been provided. Additionally, the Applicant has provided herein replacement sheets for all drawings to clarify the illustration. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-9 have been rejected under §103(a) as being unpatentable over Schuh ('239) in view of Best ('45). Claim 10 was noted as being allowable.

Claims 1, 2, and 6 have been amended to overcome the cited references. Nothing in either reference, alone or in combination, teaches a method for loosening a stuck section of a downhole drill string "by longitudinally extending the length of said stuck section thereby retracting well bore wall engaging leaves in the stuck section" to collapse the stuck section and initiating a jarring action within the string "by said longitudinally extending the length of said stuck section" upon collapse of the stuck section.

New Claims 11 and 12 add the further limitation that drill fluid is circulated 'from within said drill string to outside said drill string through **lateral side openings in said stuck section** into said well borehole **as said jarring action is initiated.**'

The claims are now clearly patentable over the cited reference and the Applicant asks that a Notice of Allowance be issued.

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